claim(s) 58-117, drawn to a slide fastener. The Office Action required applicant to elect a single invention.

Applicant elects, with traverse, claims 58-117 of Group II for prosecution on the merits. Applicant submit that a thorough examination of the claims of Groups I & II in this application would no doubt require the same fields of search. Accordingly, there would be no undue burden on the Examiner to examine all the claims of this application at the same time.

*Conclusion*

The application is considered to be in good and proper form for allowance, and the Examiner is respectfully requested to pass this application to issue. If, in the opinion of the Examiner, a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of the subject application, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney.

Respectfully submitted,

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